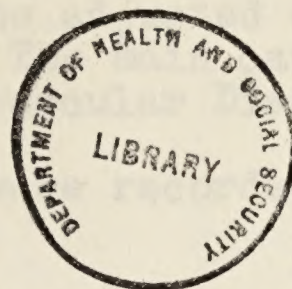


BOROUGH OF SOUTHWOLD

ANNUAL REPORT
ON THE
HEALTH OF THE BOROUGH
FOR THE YEAR
1972



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REPORT OF THE
COMMISSIONER OF THE
BUREAU OF THE
CENSUS
FOR THE YEAR
1912



WILLIAM C. CROSSLAND, M.D., D.P.H.,
Medical Officer of Health.

To The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the
Borough of Southwold.

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report on
the health of the Borough for the year 1972.

The Registrar-General's mid-year estimate of the
population is 2,010, a decrease of 30 on the previous
year. The number of live births was 14, which was an
increase of 2 on the previous year, and which brings the
adjusted birthrate up to a figure comparable to that
of the National average.

There were 35 deaths in the Borough during the year
compared with 41 the year before. The adjusted death rate
is well below the National average. The main causes of
death were Heart Disease and Cerebrovascular Disease.

No cases of infectious disease were recorded during
the year.

With the change in Local Government and the Re-
organisation of the Health Services, this will be my
last report to you as your Medical Officer of Health.
May I take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation
of the consideration I have received from members of the
Southwold Borough Council during my service with you, and
place on record my very sincere regret that my duties as
a Medical Officer of Health to you have to terminate.

Arthur C. Gee.

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GENERAL STATISTICS

Area: 624 acres.

Population 1972: 2,010 (as estimated by the Registrar-General).

Number of inhabited houses as at 31st December 1972: 1085

Rateable value as at 31st December 1972: £118,339.

EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS

	SOUTHWOLD					ENGLAND & WALES
	Total	Male	Female	Crude Rate	Adjusted Rate	
Livebirths -						
Legitimate	13	9	4	-	-	-
Illegitimate	1	-	1	-	-	-
Total	14	9	5	-	-	-
Livebirths rate per 1,000 population	-	-	-	7.0	12.5	14.8
Stillbirths	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deaths of Infants -						
under 1 year of age	-	-	-	-	-	-
under 4 weeks of age	-	-	-	-	-	-
under 1 week of age	-	-	-	-	-	-
Infant Mortality rate per 1,000 livebirths	-	-	-	-	-	17.0
Deaths from all causes	35	15	20	-	-	-
Death rate per 1,000 population	-	-	-	17.4	7.1	12.1

CAUSES OF DEATH

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Malignant Neoplasm, intestine	2	1	1
Malignant Neoplasm, lung and Bronchus	3	2	1
Other Malignant Neoplasms	3	-	3
Other Endocrine, etc. diseases	1	-	1
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	-	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease	9	5	4
Other forms of Heart Disease	2	-	2
Cerebrovascular Disease	6	2	4
Other diseases of circulatory system	1	-	1
Pneumonia	4	3	1
Peptic Ulear	1	1	-
Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia	1	1	-
Cirrhosis of Liver	1	-	1
	<u>35</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>

NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Nil.

BOROUGH OF SOUTHWOLD

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1972

To the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Southwold.

Your Worship, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the pleasure of presenting the Annual Report of the Sanitary Administration of the Borough and the work done during the year 1971.

WATER SUPPLY

A wholesome and sufficient supply of water for all domestic requirements has been maintained throughout the year. This service is provided by the East Anglian Water Company.

RAINFALL

The total rainfall during the year was 20.44 inches. There were 240 days without, and 125 days with some rain. November was the wettest month with a total of 2.23 inches.

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

Number of existing properties connected to the sewer - 1270.

All drains are examined before being covered, and smoke or water tests applied where applicable.

HOUSE REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

In spite of the heavy increase in the bulk of house refuse, the house refuse collection service operates quite satisfactorily, approximately 2,000 tons being disposed of. During the height of the summer season, heavy demands are made on the service, and it is necessary to implement the normal collection with our tractor service.

All refuse is tipped and kept under control at the tip situated near the Gasometer Works.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS DURING 1971 (including dwelling houses)

During the year 520 premises were visited, of which 360 were dwelling houses and 160 various other premises.

In the course of these inspections 10 defects or nuisances were found, and 10 were abated. To secure the abatement of these defects and nuisances 2 informal notices were served upon the owners or agents concerned, in addition to the personal interviews by the Public Health Inspector.

SHOPS ACT 1950 SECTION 38

All the non-exempted shops in the district were visited periodically. There were no contraventions.

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SMOKE ABATEMENT

Number of factory chimneys in the district	2
Number of observations taken	Nil
Number of legal proceedings taken	...	...	Nil

OFFICES. SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT 1963

The number of premises registered and visited during the year were:

Offices	....	....	....	....	....	15
Retail shops	....	....	....	....	....	46
Catering establishments	....	....	....	....	....	8
Fuel storage depots	....	....	....	....	....	1
Total						70

At these premises the following numbers of persons were employed:

Offices	....	....	....	....	....	68
Retail shops	....	....	....	....	....	152
Catering establishments	....	....	....	....	....	60
Fuel storage depots	....	....	....	....	....	2
Total						282

(Of this total 128 were males and 154 females)

REGISTRATIONS AND GENERAL INSPECTIONS

Premises	No. registered during year	No. registered end of year	Premises visited
Offices	-	15	15
Retail shops	-	46	46
Catering establishments	-	8	8
Fuel storage depots	-	1	1
TOTAL	-	70	70

No. of visits to registered premises - 70

FACTORIES ACT 1937 to 1959

L. Inspections for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector)

Premises	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	-	-	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	20	20	1	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	6	6	-	-
TOTAL	26	26	1	-

2. Cases in which defects were found

	No.of cases in which defects were				No.of cases in which Prosecutions instituted
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (Section 1)	3	3	-	1	-
Overcrowding (Section 2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature(Section3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation(Section 4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors(Section 6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences (Section 7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	3	3	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to out-work)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	6	6	-	1	-

NOISE ABATEMENT ACT 1960 SECTION 1

Number of complaints received	...	...	...	1
Number of complaints investigated	...	...	...	1

	Industrial	Commercial	Domestic
Number of complaints confirmed	Nil	Nil	Nil
Number of complaints remedied informally	Nil	Nil	Nil

RODENT CONTROL - PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT 1949

Prevalence of Rats and Mice

Type of Property	Total	Notified by		Recorded	Rats Major	Rats Minor	Mice only
		Occupier	Otherwise				
Local Authority Dwellinghouse	3	-	-	1	-	1	-
Business	1,029	50	-	35	-	21	-
Agricultural	273	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	1,305	50	-	36	-	22	-

Measures of Control by Local Authority

Type of Property	No. Inspected	No. of Inspections	No. of Notices Served: Section 4	
			Treatments	Works
Local Authority Dwellinghouse	10	15	-	-
Business	40	40	-	-
Agricultural	4	6	-	-
	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	54	61	-	-

Type of Property	No. of Treatments carried out				Block treatments of properties in different occupancies under Section 6(1) or by informal arrangements		
	By arrangement with owner		Under Section 5 (1)		No. of surface associated sewers		
	Rats	Mice only	Rats	Mice only	Blocks	Separate occupancies	Manholes treated
Local Authority Dwellinghouse	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Business	30	-	-	-	-	-	-
Agricultural	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	33	-	-	-	-	-	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Food Inspection

The following foods were inspected, condemned and destroyed, being unfit for human consumption:-

	lbs.	ozs.
Canned meats	44	-
TOTAL	44	-

Food Premises

Number of premises	...	...	...	...	57
Number of inspections made	...	...	...	...	57
Number of premises found unsatisfactory	...	...	...	...	Nil
Number rendered satisfactory	...	...	...	...	Nil
<u>Number of premises registered under Section 16 Food & Drugs Act, 1955</u>					
Ice Cream - Manufacture	...	...	...	...	Nil
Ice Cream - Storage or sale only	...	...	...	...	20
Sausages, preserved foods, etc.	...	...	...	...	2

DAIRIES AND RETAIL PURVEYORS OF MILK

There is one local dairy, which is kept under adequate conditions.

CATERING ESTABLISHMENTS AND BAKERIES

These have been found to be satisfactory

HOUSING

Number of houses or parts thereof closed	...	...	...	Nil
Number of houses demolished by formal action	...	...	...	Nil
Number of houses demolished by informal action	...	...	...	Nil
Number of families rehoused from unfit houses	...	...	...	Nil

New Houses

Number of new houses erected by Local Authority	...	...	Nil
Number of new houses erected by private enterprise	...	...	3
Provided by conversion, etc.	...	...	4

Improvement Grants

Number of improvement grants approved during the year:-	11
Discretionary ... 18	Standard ... 5

Disinfections, etc.

Number of premises disinfected	...	...	...	1
Number of premises disinfested	...	...	...	1

Movable Dwellings

Number of sites licensed	...	...	...	1
Number of individual licences	...	...	...	Nil
Number of inspections	...	...	...	100
Number of movable dwellings	
(a) for holiday use	176
(b) for residential use	Nil

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Public Health Inspector

